## **Dwayne Bohac**

## **Biography**

Born and raised in Houstons Oak Forest community, Dwayne Bohac was elected in November 2002 to represent the people of District 138 in the Texas House of Representatives. His district is generally comprised of the Bear Creek, Spring Branch, Cy-Fair, Oak Forest, Garden Oaks and communities of west and northwest Houston.

Representative Bohac serves as a member of the prestigious Ways and Means Committee, as well as the Elections Committee and Local and Consent Calendar Committee.

Dwayne has been recognized on a number of occasions for his hard work in the Texas Legislature, especially for his work in lowering taxes for businesses and homeowners alike. He was awarded the Taxpayers Best Friend by colleagues of the Texas House and was recently referred to as a "crusading tax fighter" for his consistent work on appraisal reform and property tax reduction. In fact, he is the only member of the Texas House to pass legislation that reduces the homestead appraisal cap from 10% to 5% although the bill did not make it to the senate floor. Bohac was also awarded the "Fighter for Free Enterprise" by the Texas Association of Business which represents businesses and chambers of commerce across the state for his efforts improve the business climate, lower taxes and keep jobs in Texas.

He was also awarded the "Best of the House" award by the Combined Law Enforcement Association of Texas (CLEAT) and was recognized by the police chiefs of the six largest cities in Texas for his determination to pass common sense criminal justice legislation which supports local law enforcement. In addition, he has strongly and consistently fought to improve our border security by targeting international street gangs and border crossings.

Bohac also received acclaim this past session for his work on public education and improving the lives of children. His colleagues in the Texas House awarded him the "Education Advocate" award and the statewide Texas PTA recognized him by placing him on their "Honor Roll." Spring Branch ISD and the West Houston Chamber of Commerce recognized his hard work and leadership in the public education arena as well. He was also recently praised by the Collaborative for Children and the Children's Assessment Center for his strong support for high quality, full day Pre-K.

His legislative accomplishments include: creating the annual School Supply Sales Tax Holiday, passing the Graffiti Accountability Act of 2007, restoring the Pledge of Allegiance in public school classrooms, setting up a program to reimburse hardworking teachers who spend their own money to provide for our children in the classroom, and strengthening common nuisance laws to crack down on illegal activities such as gambling, prostitution, illegal drug use and gang activity.

Dwayne is also a co-founder of the Texas House of Representatives Air Quality Caucus, a bi-partisan group committed to finding clean air solutions for our community and state. Recently, Bohac received the Wind Champion Award" for helping Texas become the number one state in wind generated electricity

A graduate of Scarborough High School, which he now has the privilege to represent, Bohac earned Bachelors Degrees in Political Science and Marketing from Texas A&M University. After graduating with honors, Bohac returned home to start the small retail business which he operates today.

Dwayne and his wife, Dawn, are both active members of Second Baptist Church and live in Spring Branch area of Houston. They have four children: Foster, Faith, Sterling and Reagan.

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